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Rally planned to protest administration policies

by Doug Ireland
Staff Writer

A UMO student senator will hold a rally on the steps of Fogler Library at 12 p.m. on April 11 to protest against what he says is the university's "mistreatment" of its students.

Off-campus senator Ed Cutting said Monday he is organizing a student rally called "Students Are People Too," so students discontent with UMO administration can publicly express their views of the university.

"We are" paying thousands of dollars a year to be treated like a lower form of life," Cutting said. "If we do not do anything about it now, there won't be student life at this university in three years."

Cutting said he began organizing the protest against administration Friday because the university is tightening many of its policies — including those concerning the consumption of

alcohol at activities such as Bumstock and Senior Celebration.

"Since college students have always abused alcohol in the past, they will in the future too," Cutting said. "Stricter regulations won't help (discourage people from drinking)."

Cutting and Mark Condon, president of the Senior Council, said the administration is implementing and enforcing tougher restrictions which prohibit students from bringing their own alcoholic beverages to university-sponsored activities and limiting the amount they can purchase from Residential Life.

Although Cutting said "unfair regulations" governing alcohol use is a main reason for the protest, he also said students are treated unfairly in many other ways, including not being allowed to park in certain areas on campus even though they pay to attend UMO. He also said the administration chose to use plus/minus

grading against the wishes of an overwhelming majority of students who did not want it.

"I am not the only who is mad because there are other people who are mad and want to help out," Cutting said. "I haven't found one single person who has opposed (the protest)."

However, he also said that many students do not want to "stick their necks out" because they fear their professors will give them poor grades if they participate in the rally.

Cutting said at least six student leaders will speak at the rally, but that he would not reveal their names to the press without their consent.

In addition, Cutting said university regulations are becoming so strict that, "It's going to get back to the high schools that students shouldn't go here because it is too strict."

"The academics are nice and the professors are talented but if it wasn't for that, no one would still be going

here," Cutting said.

But Dwight Rideout, assistant vice president for student services, disagreed with Cutting.

"I don't think students are not going to come here because the rules are too strict," Rideout said. "The number of students enrolled at the university is going down, but I don't think it is because of that."

Rideout said fluctuations in the number of students graduating from high schools is the main reason for a declining enrollment which has taken place at most colleges and universities since 1982.

He also said policies regarding alcohol use are being enforced at most schools throughout the country in an effort to reduce alcohol abuse.

"It's a nationwide phenomenon," Rideout said. "By Sept. 1, there will be even tighter regulations everywhere. It's not the institutions that are doing it as much as it is the law that's doing it."

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Renovations force RD to govern from afar

by Sue Swift
Staff Writer

Because of renovations to her first floor apartment, Kennebec Hall's resident director has been temporarily relocated to Estabrooke Hall and said she finds it "frustrating" to govern a dormitory while she is not in residence.

Susan Michele Syms said, "It's difficult to run a hall from the outside because I'm not accessible if a resident assistant or student needs to talk to me about a problem or in the event of an emergency."

Renovations, which began before spring break, include the enlargement of the apartment and the addition of a kitchen. Syms said she did not expect work on the apartment to be completed on her return, but thought it "would be at least livable."

"Three weeks is the estimate of completion time for renovations, but I was told Friday there was some problem with the plumbing, so there may be an extension," she said.

"Workers from the physical plant are taking the end room on the first floor of Kennebec — room 124 — and turning it into a bedroom so that they'll have more space to add a kitchen to the current living room and bathroom," Syms said.

Donald Nelson, assistant director of engineering services, said the \$18,000 project encountered some difficulties because asbestos had to be removed from the ceiling of Syms' apartment before carpenters and electricians could put in new partitions and electrical wiring.

The renovations were approved last fall by H. Ross Moriarty, director of Residential Life, and Gregory Stone, director of York Complex. "The project

was supposed to be started during Christmas break, but because of the asbestos we had to move the RD out of her apartment to get at the ceiling," Nelson said.

Asbestos is a fire-resistant, fibrous mineral used in older building materials in ceilings. It has been found to be a very widespread carcinogen.

Nelson said the asbestos content found in the ceilings of Kennebec Hall posed no problems to residents, unless the ceilings are disturbed.

"Eventually it may be removed if there is work done on the dorm that requires ceiling removal and we can find funding," he said.

Syms said she is living in 113 Estabrooke Hall and is working out of the York Complex Office in York Hall.

"I try to be in the hall as much as I can in terms of just walking around and getting to see the students who need to meet with me," she said.

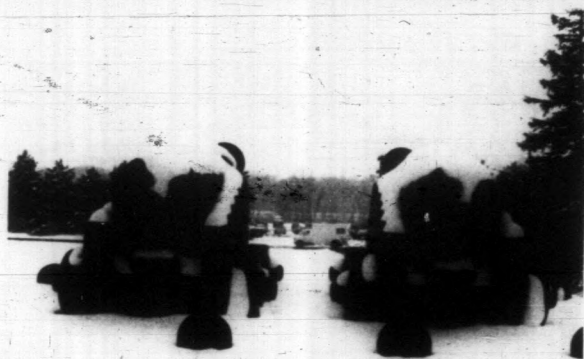
Grace Kelly, a Kennebec Hall RA, said she has had no problems maintaining discipline in the dormitory.

"I think the students think it's great because they don't have an RD's authority over their heads, but it's also frustrating to them when there are problems and she can't be located," Kelly said.

"The resident assistants aren't suffering in maintaining discipline, and I would say it's working to make them sharper because they need to be more aware of exactly what's going on," Syms said.

Syms said she has found it difficult living in Estabrooke Hall because she doesn't have a telephone.

"Unless the students want to walk over and knock on my door to see if I'm in, or leave a note on my door, then I'm not readily accessible," she said.



Mother Nature decided to play an April Fool's joke on everyone who thought spring had arrived, and brought winter back again. (Favreau photo)

Hearings held Monday on 'Big A' dam proposal

by Douglas Watts
Staff Writer

The first day of public hearings on Great Northern Nekoosa Corp.'s application to build a 40.5 megawatt hydroelectric dam on the West Branch of the Penobscot River began in Millinocket Monday with opening statements by the applicant and six intervenors who spoke both for and against the project. The hearings, expected to last more than six weeks, are being held by the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, which must decide by June 11 to deny or grant a permit for the project. The seven member commission is responsible for regulating land use in the state's 10.5 million acres of unorganized territory.

The proposed dam, dubbed Big "A" because it would dam the Penobscot River 30 miles north of Millinocket at Big Ambejackmockamus Falls, has been the object of widespread public debate since Great Northern proposed the project in 1981.

Attorney Daniel Boxer, speaking for Great Northern, said the project "is

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Dam

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vital for Great Northern to expand its production or even to keep it at present levels." Boxer said the hydropower that would be generated by the dam is necessary so Great Northern can counter "tremendous cost competition from Canadian mills." Boxer said Canadian mills are undercutting Great Northern by using low-cost government subsidized hydropower. Boxer directed considerable criticism at opponents of the project, particularly the Penobscot Coalition to Save the West Branch, saying "the zeal of opponents has outstripped logic and reality." "We resent insinuations that Great Northern is unconscionably taking something away from the people of Maine. We've done more for the people of Maine than the West Branch Coalition has ever done."

Boxer said the environmental impact of the dam has been exaggerated by opponents and despite their claims the river will still have "great recreational value."

"The West Branch is not all going to be destroyed ... it will not be a wasteland," Boxer said.

Attorney Jeffery Thaler, representing the Penobscot Coalition to Save the West Branch, said the burden of proof is on Great Northern to prove the project is "safe, necessary and more beneficial to the people of the state than four and a half miles of untouched river."

Thaler described the area to be inundated by the dam as having exceptional

recreational, natural and scenic value. The portion to be flooded is "one of the best landlocked salmon fisheries in North America and the best whitewater recreation experience east of the Mississippi River," Thaler said.

Thaler challenged Great Northern's claim that the dam is necessary for its continued survival in the state by citing that Great Northern Nekoosa, Great Northern Paper's parent company, reported record earnings of \$120 million in 1984, up 42 percent from 1983. Thaler said Great Northern Nekoosa's president called 1984 "the company's best year ever."

"We think it questionable that a company that earned \$120 million last year cannot afford alternatives to the dam," Thaler said.

Attorney Dean Beaupain, speaking for 13 area towns including Millinocket, East Millinocket, Medway and Ashland asked the commission "not to tie Great Northern's hands" by refusing the permit for the dam. Beaupain said by not letting Great Northern compete with foreign competitors the paper industry could "go the same way as Maine's shoe, textile and fishing industries: out of business."

Beaupain said the economic health of the area would be jeopardized without the dam.

"Our economic future is more important than those of the rafters or all the

salmon in the West Branch. The people of this area will have to live with your decision forever. The recreationalists can always find another place to play," Beaupain said.

Beaupain said the damage to the river would only be one of degree and "if anything is destroying the river it is the thousands of people using it."

Attorney Douglas Foy, speaking for the Conservation Law Foundation, an intervenor against the dam, said he accepted Great Northern's claim that it needs more and cheaper power.

"But the cheapest source of electricity is not hydropower. The cheapest source of electricity is not using it," Foy said.

Foy compared Great Northern's situation to trying to heat an old and leaky house. Foy said you could spend \$4,000 for another furnace to make up for the lost heat.

"Or you could spend \$1,000 on insulation to keep the cold air out and another \$500 to make the existing furnace more efficient."

Foy said he would prove to the commission that Great Northern could get the electricity it needs by "efficiency improvements and conservation in general."

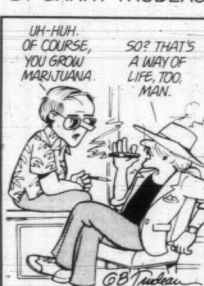
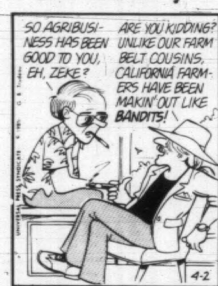
"A 40 megawatt dam is a lousy investment compared to these other solutions," Foy said.

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Charity record may raise \$70 million for Ethiopia

NEW YORK (AP) — "We are the World," the song recorded by 45 pop superstars for the African famine relief program, is climbing to the top of the charts faster than any record in a decade.

Promoters predict the single will raise \$70 million, which will go to aid the hungry in Ethiopia and other African countries.

Billboard magazine, the music industry weekly, says in its current edition that the 6-minute, 19-second single

jumped to No. 2 on the charts three weeks after its release.

Billboard talent editor Paul Grein predicted it will hit No. 1 next week, the first single to hit the top in its first month since Elton John's "Island Girl" in 1975.

The single retails for \$1.98. Of that, \$1.40 goes to the "USA for Africa" non-profit organization, which will use it to buy supplies for relief agencies already in the field.

"USA for Africa is not only a non-profit organization, it is a no-overhead organization," said Ken Kragen, the pop music impresario who is a driving force in the movement. The foundation has been declared tax-exempt by the Internal Revenue Service, he said. Nearly 500 singers, engineers, recording company executives, lawyers, accountants and others have donated \$2 million-worth of time and service to the organization.

Michael Jackson and Lionel Richie wrote the song, and 43 other popular singers joined them for the recording.

"All the U.S. agencies that are dealing with African relief expect to collect a total of \$70 million, and we expect to equal that," said Kragen, who is also Richie's manager. That figure, however, is far short of the estimated \$1.5 billion needed to feed the African hungry this year.

The highly publicized Jan. 28 recording session produced material for a single, a 7 1/2-minute "extended play" record, one cut of a 44 1/2-minute album, a video cassette, a movie which has been purchased for a reported \$2 million by HBO, a Life Magazine cover story and a special 55-page Billboard supplement which will appear this week.

The album, which sells for \$9.98, was scheduled to arrive in record stores Monday.

"This thing is jumping off the shelf," said Michael Fuchs, chairman of Home Box Office. HBO will show the "We are the World" movie eight times in May.

Fuchs says HBO has "no ulterior motive" in promoting USA for Africa, but acknowledges that the exclusive film might attract new subscribers to the cable television network.

"I would rather write a big check to a good cause than to a single artist," said Fuchs, who declined in a telephone interview to disclose the exact purchase price of the movie.

"This is not a stunt. It's a viable avenue for public good," said Leslie Luceam, the organizer of a USA for Africa benefit at WYNY, a New York radio station. WYNY challenged listeners to identify individual voices in the song and contributed \$1,000 in each of the winners' names — a total of \$16,000.

"Sure, we get publicity from it," said Luceam. "The more publicity each event gets is more for the common good." Marty Rogol, the USA for Africa executive director, said he and his staff of two are excited about the fund-raising efforts, which range from "We are the World" muscle T-shirts, priced at \$13, to the profits from an evening at a chic Manhattan restaurant.

Feds to toughen stance on individual drug users

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department said Monday it is making headway in busting narcotics rings, but a high-ranking official said authorities are weighing a tougher stance toward individual drug users.

Deputy Associate Attorney General Charles Blau said that despite cooperative law enforcement efforts which have produced some 1,150 indictments since mid-1983, "people are out there using drugs, and we have not broken that curve."

Blau, who oversees the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Program in 13 regions of the country, said authorities have zeroed in on a supply-side enforcement strategy and are going after importers, distributors, wholesalers and retailers.

"Maybe we ought to bring in selectively some of the users into the low end of the prosecutions of these types of cases, to show how the whole picture puts together," Blau told reporters.

"I'm not saying that we're going to prosecute users more intensely," he said. "I'm saying it's one of the things that we're going to consider doing. I wouldn't call it a switch," Blau said. "I would say in this business, you can't stand still. You have to look at the whole equation ... but the prosecutors may say — and the agents may say — there's just

no way we can do that."

Blau's suggestion mirrored statements Attorney General Edwin Meese III made March 20 to the Washington Press Club.

The U.S. Customs Service last Friday began publishing the names of persons apprehended coming into the country with drugs in a campaign that officials of that agency said was aimed at deterring such activity.

Blau denied Monday there was any connection between his statement of possibly a get-tough policy toward individual users and the new disclosure policy put into effect by Customs.

Blau briefed reporters on the second annual report of the performance of the various drug task forces. The task force program, a cooperative drug enforcement effort launched by President Reagan in the summer of 1983, netted 953 indictments through Dec. 31.

Meese said in a separate statement that there have been nearly 200 additional indictments of trafficking figures through March 18, for a total of around 1,150 indictments so far — and a 90 percent conviction rate. He said authorities had seized \$76 million in cash and \$81 million worth of property. "This clearly demonstrates the growing effectiveness of the task forces and their utilization of the most sophisticated tools to strike at the financial heart of drug trafficking organizations," Meese said.

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Editorial

Toward credibility

It was just a year ago that the National News Council faded into oblivion after an 11-year existence. Formed to provide a forum for dealing with ethical issues among newspapers and, ideally, an alternative to long, involved libel suits in the courts, it drew little support from major news organizations such as *The New York Times*.

The idea of a news council on the national level is one that should be reconsidered.

Opponents of the news council applied the same arguments to it that many have applied to the formulation of a standardized code of ethics for journalists: the potential diminishing of free speech and an increase of government regulation.

To them, the council appeared a self-appointed police squad that would squelch free speech by codifying ethical considerations and forcing newspapers to conform to those codes.

Others contended that any decision the council made between a newspaper and someone who felt he'd been treated unfairly in the media would, somewhere down the line, result in legislation unfavorable to journalists or be used against the press in a court of law.

The first argument may be well-founded, but perhaps a standardized, professional code of ethics would not be such a bad thing.

The news media continue to lose credibility among the American public — witness the public reaction to the barring of the American press from the invasion of Grenada not long ago — and undoubtedly part of the reason is that, from

newspaper to newspaper, the public has no way of knowing what newsgathering methods are being used; what reporter is accepting "freebies"; what standards are being applied. There is no consistency.

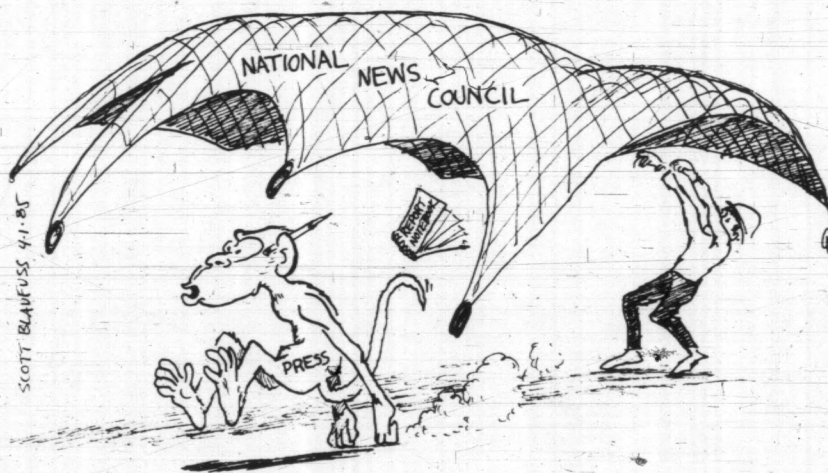
As to the government-control argument: if the profession would voluntarily police itself, there would be little need to introduce legislation that would further regulate it. There is more danger in the press not acting as its own keeper; the government is more likely to step in where there are no self-imposed controls.

In addition, as recent libel suit plaintiff Gen. William Westmoreland asserted in a recent issue of the trade magazine *Editor and Publisher* in defense of the re-formation of such a council, a battle fought out before a news council — where those who chose this route "would waive the right to sue in court and would agree to accept its findings" — is less expensive than one fought in court.

While journalists may, with good reason, be suspicious of taking advice from someone who asserts the media have treated him unfairly, the message should be given credence.

The press should show the public a good-faith effort at accountability. The rebirth of the National News Council is a good way to do that.

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ED CARROLL

Birdbrain built a dam

"Birdbrain chopped down the Amazon rain forest to build a wood pulp factory on the river bank."

— Allen Ginsberg —

Great Northern Paper Co. doesn't intend to cut down its trees to make space for a new pulp factory, but the rationale the company would have the public believe for building the Big "A" dam is not far behind in the race to find the most pompous and inept waste of natural resources.

The standard line Great Northern has been feeding the state news media and their audiences since proposing the dam's construction is that without a new, cheap source of electricity, the company will be unable to compete with newsprint manufacturers in Canada. This, they say, is because of the declining health of Maine's spruce and fir forests which will force a switch to the more energy-intensive processing of hardwoods, and government-subsidized hydro plants supplying cheap power for Canadian mills.

It is old hat now for the company public relations staff to play off that scenario and plead with the environmentalists not to cripple the state's economy and steal the livelihood of its valued employees. They seem astonished to find anyone opposed to such an obviously needed plan to give Maine the power to compete.

But their argument is a ploy to whip the area's business community and their own employees into the emotional frenzy which accompanies the threat of a ruined local economy. Simply by reinvesting in the facilities that already exist, the company could — for less money — create efficient mills which would compensate for the cheap energy they say they need. Great Northern cannot possibly compete with the Canadian government in the production of cheap electricity. But considering the ecological disaster that massive-scale hydropower in Canada has proven to be, why would any company want to?

Since the ineptitude of the logic presented to the public is too gross to be taken seriously by investors with millions of dollars at stake, Great Northern must have Big "A" at the top of its priority list due to some other, less palatable motive.

While the power produced by Big "A" is not needed for the economic well-being of Great Northern's forest products industry, its construction would still be a sizeable addition to their productive capacity.

Imagine this scenario: citing the decline of the softwood forests in Northern Maine and its inability to compete with energy costs at Canadian mills, Great Northern announces the shutdown of all forest industry production in Maine a decade after building the Big "A" dam. Out-of-state parent company Great Northern Nekoosa Inc. lets 40 employees stay on to operate the lucrative hydroelectric dams built by grant of the state.

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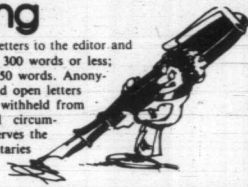
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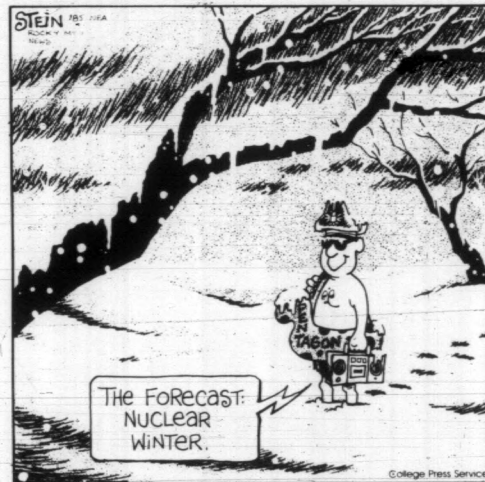
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Toward a new journalism

Robert LaForge

Do you often read your newspaper and wonder, could this be all the news there is?

Is there nothing unique happening in the world today? Is it true that some of our largest newspapers are "afraid" to print the most controversial stories of our time? Fortunately for people like myself, there are newspapers in this country that are not afraid to seek out and print stories that do not follow what the mainstream papers consider reputable. These papers, *The Sun Times*, *National Weekly News*, and *New York Post*, do not fear the conservative beliefs of the masses. They are not afraid to print provocative, stirring, or questionable news items. These small newspapers break the mold of conservative reporting that the big business newspapers clutch so tightly and dearly to their little hearts. It is these few brave tabloids that bring us the dark side of human nature, that which we all fear but love to read about. These weekly papers bring us the news and pictures other papers fear. These brave souls are the stepping stones to a new era of journalism.

Do you often read of petty graft, corruption, and violence in the street? Thanks to the low budget news tabloids of today these same crimes are taken out of the street and brought into the home where they belong. Only in these papers do you read of

parents raping children, babies killing grandparents, whole families murdering each other in cold blood, and of course horrible creatures from other planets terrorizing entire towns. Who cares if it all takes place in Siberia, Zimbabwe, or God knows where else. The real pleasure in reading these news items is the knowledge one gains from this information. When someone brings up the horrible triple axe murder that took place on their block, you can point out how fortunate this person is, for in Outer Mongolia two hundred and fifty people were gruesomely slaughtered by an apparition from Hell. No longer do you have to sit idle while people tell macabre stories of murder and death, now you can be the one to tell them.

How often have you wanted to get the upper hand on people who constantly scoff at your belief of ghosts or aliens from other worlds? Now, with the help of these tabloids, you can relate documented stories of ghosts, demons, and creatures from space to these skeptics, for these topics are the life blood of the low budget tabloid. Where else can you read story after story on demonic and ghostly possession, encounters with the spirit world, and, of course, the ever-present threat of aliens from space taking over the world, in just one week! These are top issues of our times that these papers are dealing with. Not

just some passing fancies of the working middle class, these are real stories by real people who encounter these stranger-than-life situations on a daily basis. It is these people, whose reputations lie in the veracity of their stories, we must come to accept as the real leaders of journalism in the world today.

The world today is filled with unknown and unknowable happenings. If we only had the corporate-owned news reports giving us information, we would never hear of the strange and bizarre events taking place all around us. The writers for these new papers of today have been ridiculed and overlooked for too long, yet it is this small and dedicated few who have kept us an informed public. Their time of glory, though slow in coming, is only around the corner. Too long have papers like *The Sun Times*, *National Weekly News*, and *New York Post* been kept under the counter, read only with the shutters closed. Only today are these newspapers coming into the light of the general public. Americans want to know what is happening in the world and these people want to tell them. No longer must we sit in ignorance reading only the predigested garbage of the big business newspapers. We have entered a new age of knowledge and these new newspapers are leading us on that quest.

Sports

African may play hoop for UMO next year

by Chuck Morris
Staff Writer

Depending on the decision in the Admissions Office, the UMO men's basketball program will have a 6-foot-8 African from Dakar, Senegal next fall, the coach said.

Skip Chappelle said Amadou Ibrahim Barry, who is nicknamed "Coco," has applied for admission to UMO for September.

"He has made a verbal commitment to attend (UMO)," Chappelle said, "but he has not been accepted yet."

"He's not here yet. For him to be accepted, he has to take a Toefl exam for international students which he has to show a proficiency in English. Plus, he has to continue his success with his academics at his high school (St. Michel's, a private Catholic school)."

Chappelle said classes do not end for Barry until July.

Chappelle was accompanied on the trip to Dakar, Africa's western-most city, by Burt Batty, UMO's director of student aid. They returned from their one-week trip Saturday. Batty went to Senegal to make sure Barry was academically eligible to enroll. Batty said Barry will take the Toefl exam in Dakar on May 11.

"(The Toefl exam) is just a matter of measuring a student's proficiency in English," Batty said. "Coco appears to be a very sound student academically."

Batty said Barry, if accepted, would be a business major with career plans in international banking.

Barry, who is 17 and weighs between 230 and 240 pounds, can speak five languages. Three of these are English and two dialects of his native tongue.

Ouolof (pronounced Wolof) Batty said. The other two are French and Parisian.

"This is a very unique situation for us," Chappelle said. "He's from a French-speaking colony. There will be certain adjustments he will have to make here, what we call cultural shock."

Chappelle said John Benoit, UMO's director of conferences and institutes, who is on a two-year sabbatical in Senegal, first brought Barry to the coach's attention.

"The initial reason why I got involved was because John Benoit said he was a very capable basketball player," Chappelle said. "The kid does have potential to be a great basketball player."

"He plays the middle position (center) and defensively plays it quite well. He is what we call a power player inside right now."

Chappelle said because of Barry's size

he would keep him as an inside player for the Black Bears.

"We would continue to exploit his inside game before we would consider moving him out to the perimeter," he said.

Batty said Barry has applied for a tuition-waiver granted to international students. The criteria for the waiver, Batty said, are academic status, geographic distribution and financial stability. Approximately 10 of these waivers are given said Kenneth Allen, the acting vice president for external affairs.

"Seeing the condition where (Barry's) family lives, even if I didn't believe he was a basketball player, I would've done everything in my power to get him here," Chappelle said. "The cultural conditions that he lives in and what he can do by getting an education in the United States was an important criteria."

Wildcats upend Georgetown for NCAA title, 66-64

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) -- Underdog Villanova, shooting 79 percent from the field, denied Patrick Ewing and Georgetown a second straight NCAA basketball title Monday night with a 66-64 victory.

Georgetown had won 47 straight games and completed the season with a 35-3 record and a 121-23 record during the four-year career of 7-foot Ewing, a four-time All-American. Villanova, 25-10, was beaten twice by the Hoyas during the regular Big East season, 52-50 in overtime and 57-50, and Georgetown entered the game a nine-point favorite.

"No one thought we could do it, but I did," Villanova Coach Rollie Massimino shouted afterward. And the rotund coach and his unranked crew from the Philadelphia suburbs had plenty of heroes to go around.

Dwayne McClain hit two free throws and Harold Pressley, one of two to provide the margin of victory, with

Georgetown's Michael Jackson completing the scoring with a field goal with four seconds remaining.

McClain, hitting five of seven field goals, paced Villanova with 17 points, and 6-foot-9 Ed Pinckney, who battled Ewing in the pivot all night, scored 16.

The Wildcats also hit 22 of 27 free throws and matched the Hoyas on the boards with 17 rebounds. And they limited Ewing to 14 points.

Georgetown was trying to become only the seventh team and the first since UCLA in 1973 to repeat as NCAA champions. They were being rate among the greatest teams of all time, after breezing through the last part of their schedule and looking stronger with each game.

But Villanova, which finished in a third-place tie in the Big East Conference with Syracuse, began a six-game winning streak in the tournament, knocking off other ranked teams such as No. 2 Michigan and No. 5 Memphis State in Saturday's semifinal.

The Wildcats pulled ahead 29-28 at halftime and after Ewing hit an opening jumper in the second half, they went up 36-30 with Harold Jensen's basket, a three-point play by Pinckney and a jumper by Gary McClain.

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Boston Red Sox release left-handed hurler

Associated Press -- The handwriting was on the wall. For six weeks veteran left-hander John Henry Johnson was little more than showcase material in the Boston Red Sox training.

Unable to make a trade, the Red Sox finally dumped Johnson, 28, and his \$240,000 contract Monday, asking waivers for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.

"There were three or four clubs interested in him," Boston General Manager Lou Gorman said. "We tried to make a trade, but we couldn't."

In putting him on waivers, Johnson may be claimed by any major league club, which would then have to pick up his contract. If he is not claimed, he will be released and the Red Sox will have to pay him \$40,000, or one-sixth of his contract. He then becomes a free agent eligible to sign with any club at any salary that can be negotiated.

"I was surprised that I wasn't traded, but I guess I shouldn't have been," Johnson said. "Why trade when you can wait about six days and get a player for nothing."

Everyone in baseball knew that Johnson was available last fall when Gorman and the Red Sox actively sought a left-handed reliever. Gorman blamed the bullpen for most of the Red Sox' woes in 1984.

Ed Glynn, a journeyman left-hander who has failed in trials with Cleveland and the New York Mets, was purchased last November. Glynn has been a big disappointment in exhibition games.

Last week southpaw Bobby Ojeda, a two-year starter, agreed to try to become a reliever. Ojeda appeared in three games in short relief in four days and will start the season in the bullpen next week.

Under retired manager Ralph Houk the last two years, Johnson was used sparingly. He was 3-2 with a 3.71 earned run average in 34 games in 1983, and 1-2 with a 3.53 ERA in 30 games last year.

In six relief appearances this spring, he allowed 14 hits and 10 earned runs, struck out 10 and walked only one.

"I have some pretty good statistics, even though I hardly ever got a chance to pitch with a save situation," Johnson said. "I have the best walk-strikeout ratio on the club (108 strikeouts, 48 walks). I don't know what they wanted."

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McClain's three-point play kept them up 41-36 but Georgetown came back and went ahead on David Wingate's jumper 42-41 with 9:49 remaining.

The lead changed hands five times, the last on a jumper by Pinckney, who was named the tournament Most Valuable Player. McClain hit two free throws for a 49-46 lead.

Again the Wildcats went ahead by five on a Pinckney jumper, but Georgetown came back with six straight points.

Wingate's drive put the Hoyas ahead 54-53.

Pinckney then lost the ball trying to drive against Ewing and the Hoyas went into a spread offense. But Horace Broadnax, attempting to pass to Bill Martin, threw the ball off a Villanova player and it bounced off Broadnax's feet.

Villanova then hit six straight points, with Jensen hitting a jumper, Pinckney two free throws and Jensen two more

free throws for a 59-54 advantage with 1:24 remaining.

Broadnax then made a basket, but Jensen, a reserve sophomore guard who played most of the game, connected for two more free throws.

Ewing's jam brought Georgetown to within 61-58 with 41 seconds left, but McClain then came through with two more free throws. A Wingate-field-goal pulled the Hoyas within three, but McClain then hit another one-and-one with 18 seconds left for a 65-60 edge.

Ex-Villanova basketball coach dies during tourney

Associated Press -- Alex Severance, the man who coached the Villanova Wildcats to their first NCAA basketball appearance, died of an apparent heart attack Monday after collapsing in his Lexington hotel room.

Fayette County Deputy Coroner Lewis Hager said Severance died at 9:35 a.m. EST at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Severance coached Villanova for 26 years, and guided them to the NCAA tournament in 1939, the first year of the classic.

He was in Lexington for Villanova's appearance in the 1985 Final Four tournament and the team's Monday night championship game against defending champion Georgetown.

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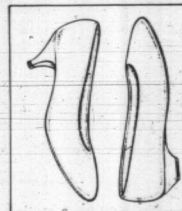
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RICK LAWES

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — I don't know if I have ever been as cold watching a baseball game as I was Sunday afternoon at Yale Field. I take that back — I think I was colder last spring when Maine lost to Vermont in a driving snowstorm here in Orono, but this was quite close.

To put it bluntly, that game never should have been played. Granted, the players could move around some to stay warm, but baseball being the type of sport it is, long periods of inactivity are the rule rather than the exception.

All in all, the fact the game was played was a shame. The Black Bears had posted a 4-1 record on their first northern trip of the year, with three of the games blowouts. But in Sunday's nightcap, Maine looked more like the "Bad News Bears," committing five errors, and generally looking like they wished they were back on a warm bus headed for Orono.

Maine head coach John Winkin is generally known as a coach who will play in just about any type of weather — coaching at the University of Maine, one would have to take that type of attitude.

But Sunday, Yale coach Joe Benanto was the one who insisted on playing. And although Winkin would have been well within his rights not to play the second game, he didn't want to appear as a coach who would "take the money and run," after defeating the Elis 4-3 in the first game.

When the rain began to fall early Sunday morning, Winkin was upset because "it hurts the pitching more than anything." Winkin was especially distressed because junior hurler Mike Ballou, whose turn in the rotation was moved to Sunday because of a sore arm, could have lost his outing.

So they played one game, and in the second, which was shortened to six innings because of the cold and dampness, Yale scored eight runs in the fifth to take an 11-5 win.

But you have admire Winkin for admitting he made a mistake. Dale Plummer, starting pitcher in the second game, had allowed five hits and three runs (two unearned) before Yale's Kevin Moran reached on an error and Winkin yanked Plummer.

The three batters before Moran had popped out, reached on an error, and grounded out. With a normal fielding performance from the Maine defense, Plummer would have been cruising into the fifth with a 5-1 lead, but Winkin replaced him. The upshot was that Rob Wilkins could get an out ("I just didn't have it," Wilkins said.), and Maine lost their 11th game of the year.

Extra batting practice helps Kane

by Rick Lawes
Staff Writer

It was just after the second game with Lewis University in Miami, and Maine had just lost a game they really shouldn't have by a score of 9-7.

The game, a 9 a.m. affair, was the only thing the University of Maine baseball team had to do until the following evening when they would travel to Pompano Beach to play Florida Atlantic University.

Most of the players were thinking laying by the pool, others, going shopping. However, after the game, junior co-captain Bill McInnis and sophomore outfielder Dan Kane went into the batting cages along the first-base line to get in some extra hitting.

"We were in there a good 45 minutes. We were working on things like looking at the ball better, seeing it better out of the pitcher's hand, not swinging down, things like that," McInnis said. "Needless to say that did a lot more for him."

Since that game Kane has hit .511 in the 14 games he has played in, with 24 hits in 47 at bats. At the time of the Lewis game, Kane did not have a double — he now leads the team with nine. As well, he has had 20 runs-batted-in since that game on March 16, and took over the team lead with last weekend with 25.

"I wasn't seeing the ball well out of the pitcher's hand. I was just getting fooled," Kane said. "I wasn't getting around on the fastball and I was too far

around on the curve."

Last season as a freshman, used primarily as a designated hitter against left-handed pitchers, Kane led the Black Bears with a .441 average in 28 games. He hit 26-for-59, with three doubles, three home runs and 21 RBI. So far this season, Kane already has 33 hits in 83 trips.

"Right now I'm seeing the ball better off the pitcher's hands," Kane said. "I'm just pleased now I'm hitting the ball hard every time up."

Kane has been the offensive catalyst in the many of Maine's games so far, a fact pointed out by Maine head coach John Winkin.

"He's the hottest hitter on the team. Right now he's the most consistent hitter of the lot," Winkin said. "He's the guy you want to see up in those (tight, with the game on the line) situations."

Winkin said Kane is just one step away from being an "awesome" hitter.

"Right now he's just opening his shoulder too much," Winkin said. "When he masters his shoulder he's going to be an absolutely awesome hitter."

After being juggled between the fourth, fifth and sixth spots in the batting order during the Florida trip, Winkin has finally settled on Kane batting sixth. Kane responded over the weekend, going 7-for-13, with five doubles and 11 RBI.

"I'm seeing a lot more fastballs (batting sixth)," Kane said. "It helps a lot now that Billy Reynolds and Rick Bernardo have been getting on base."

McInnis said Kane's detractors, some of whom claim he has an attitude problem, are wrong.

"He's a fierce competitor. People think he's cocky by the way he talks but he's not. He just wants to rip," McInnis said.

McInnis said Kane can only get better. "If he just gets more confidence like he has — watch out," McInnis said.



Dan Kane waits for the pitch during a game over March break. (Lawes photo)

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